St. Louis City Ordinance 63783

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE BOARD BILL NO. [96] 80 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN FRANCIS G. SLAY

An ordinance under and by the authority of House Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 981 of the 88th General Assembly imposing, subject to the approval of the voters, a City use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, currently at a rate of 2.625 per cent, which includes the capital improvements sales tax and the transportation tax; submitting to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis the question whether the City shall impose a City use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, currently at a rate of 2.625 per cent; providing that if such question shall receive the votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon that such tax shall be authorized and in effect as provided herein and in House Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 981; providing that the tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance shall be collected in the same manner and upon the same subjects as the use tax under the provisions of Sections 144.600 to 144.746 R.S.Mo.; providing for an election and the manner of voting thereat; with an emergency clause.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. Under and by the authority of House Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 981, there is hereby imposed, subject, however, to the approval of the voters as hereinafter provided, a City use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, currently at a rate of 2.625 per cent, which includes the capital improvements sales tax and the transportation tax.

SECTION TWO. The following question is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis and shall be voted upon at an election to be held as hereinafter provided. The question shall read as follows:

Shall the City of St. Louis impose a local use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, currently at a rate of 2.625 per cent, which includes the capital improvements sales tax and the transportation tax, provided that if any local sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised by voter approval, the respective local use tax shall also be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action? A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out of state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "Yes." If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "No."

SECTION THREE. The foregoing question shall be submitted to the qualified voters at an election to be held on Tuesday, the 6th day of August, 1996, and if the question shall receive in its favor the votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon, the tax shall be authorized and in effect as provided in House Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 981. The qualified voters may, at such election, vote a ballot in substantially the following form: Shall the City of St. Louis impose a local use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, currently at a rate of 2.625 per cent which includes the capital improvements sales tax and the transportation tax, provided that if any local sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised by voter approval, the respective local use tax shall also be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action? A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out of state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

YES [] NO []

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "Yes." If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "No."

SECTION FOUR. The provisions of House Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 981 are adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

SECTION FIVE. The tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance shall be a tax on the privilege of storing, using or consuming tangible personal property within the City, if such storage, use or consumption is subject to taxation by the State of Missouri under the provisions of Sections 144.600 to 144.746 R.S.Mo.

SECTION SIX. The Board of Election Commissioners of the City of St. Louis shall provide the ballots or voting machines, or both, and conduct the election and shall ascertain the results thereof according to the laws regulating such elections. Upon approval of this ordinance, it shall be published once in the City Journal. Proof of publication of this ordinance shall be made by affidavit of the City Register and such affidavit shall be filed in the office of the City Register and a copy of said publication shall be attached thereto.

SECTION SEVEN. This being an ordinance necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and providing for the submission of a question to the voters, it is hereby declared to be an emergency

ordinance as provided for by Article IV, Section 20 of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and shall be effective immediately upon approval by the Mayor or its approval over his veto.

Legislative History					
1ST READING	REF TO COMM	COMMITTEE	COMM SUB	COMM AMEND	VOTE
05/10/96	05/10/96	LEG	05/29/96		
2ND READING	FLOOR AMEND	FLOOR SUB	VOTE	PERFECTN	PASSAGE
05/24/96				05/31/96	06/07/96
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